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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT: AREA V: NATURE
AND PRESERVES

1. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO TRANSMIT FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO
DR. KRINITSKY WITH COPY TO HYDROMET. IT PROVIDES DETAILED PRO-
POSALS FOR COMBINED WORKING GROUP MEETING IN WILDLIFE, PRE-
SERVES, AND TUNDRA ECOSYSTEMS-PERMAFROST. THESE PROPOSALS
WERE DRAWN UP BY CEQ, INTERIOR, AND NOAA. WE REGRET DELAYS
IN PRESENTING U.S. VIEWS, BUT BELIEVE CURRENT PROPOSALS PRESENT
SOUND BASIS FOR MOVING FORWARD. EMBASSY SHOULD NOTE THAT MANY
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U.S. PARTICIPANTS HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH SCHEDULING MEETING
BEFORE MID-OCTOBER, BUT WE ARE FLEXIBLE FROM THAT POINT ON.
IF JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING REMAINS AT NOV. 6-9 AS TENTATIVELY
AGREED WITH DR. IZRAEL, WORKING GROUP MEETING WOULD MESH

NEATLY WITH IT.

2. BEGIN MESSAGE. SUBJECT: U.S. PROPOSALS FOR COMBINED WORKING GROUP MEETINGS IN AREA V: NATURE AND PRESERVES.

U.S. SIDE PROPOSES (AS DISCUSSED WITH DR. IZRAEL DURING HIS RECENT VISIT) THAT THREE WORKING GROUP MEETINGS (IN WILDLIFE CONSERVATION, PRESERVES, AND TUNDRA ECOSYSTEMS-PERMAFROST) BE HELD JOINTLY. EARLIEST STARTING DATE CONVENIENT FOR U.S. SIDE IS OCT. 15, ALTHOUGH WE CAN AGREE TO LATER DATES IF SOVIET SIDE WISHES. IN ORDER DERIVE MOST BENEFIT FROM FIELD TRIPS AND WORKING MEETINGS, WE PROPOSE 18-DAY VISIT (OCT. 14-31). IF VISITORS UNABLE STAY THIS LONG, 15-DAY VISIT PROPOSED (OCT. 14-28). U.S. SIDE PREPARED HOST 3-WEEK VISIT (OCT. 14-NOV. 4) IF SOVIET SIDE CAN STAY THIS LONG. (FOR ANY VISIT SHORTER THAN 15 DAYS, FIELD TRIPS WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE POSSIBLE.) OUR PLANNING IS FOR "WORKING FIELD TRIPS." I.E. WITH DISCUSSIONS OF SPECIFIC PROJECTS SCHEDULED EACH DAY. PROPOSED U.S. PROGRAMS ARE GIVEN BELOW.

3. BASIC FIELD TRIP PROPOSED WOULD BE 5-DAY TRIP TO COLORADO AND UTAH, INCLUDING ALPINE RESEARCH AREAS, WILDLIFE REFUGES, NATIONAL PARKS AND MONUMENTS, INDIAN RESERVATIONS, WILDERNESS AREAS, NATIONAL FORESTS, RECREATION FACILITIES, PUBLIC GRAZING LANDS, MEETINGS WITH ADMINISTRATORS. UNDER 18-DAY PROGRAM, SOVIET DELEGATION COULD ALSO VISIT EASTERN SHORE OF DELAWARE AND MARYLAND TO SEE WATERFOWL CONCENTRATIONS, WILDLIFE REFUGES, NATIONAL SEASHORE, ETC. UNDER 22-DAY PROGRAM, WESTERN TRIP COULD BE EXTENDED INTO SOUTHWEST DESERT. OUR EFFORT HAS BEEN TO MAKE FIELD TRIPS INTERESTING FOR ALL THREE GROUPS. ECONOMY OF TIME AND MONEY COULD RESULT FROM COMBINING TRIPS. (THEREFORE WE PROPOSE THAT TUNDRA-PERMAFROST GROUP NOT RPT NOT VISIT ALASKA AT THIS TIME, ESPECIALLY SINCE WEATHER CONDITIONS ARE POOR IN LATE OCTOBER, BUT RESERVE ALASKA AND SIBERIA JOINT VISIT FOR SUMMER 1974.)

4. U.S. SIDE APOLOGIZES FOR DELAY IN ORGANIZING PRESERVES UNCLASSIFIED

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WORKING GROUP PROGRAM. U.S. INTEREST REMAINS HIGH IN THIS AREA AND PROGRAM IS PREPARED FOR OCTOBER MEETING. MR. BOHLEN HAS UNDERTAKEN SUPERVISION OF ALL THREE PROJECTS, AND CHAIRMAN FOR PRESERVES AREA SPECIFICALLY WILL BE CHOSEN IN NEAR FUTURE; MEANWHILE DR. DALE JENKINS REMAINS AS DEPUTY CHAIRMAN FOR PRESERVES.

5. WE ARE UNABLE TO HANDLE VISIT AT PRESENT EXCEPT ON "SENDING SIDE PAYS" BASIS, SO THAT SOVIET VISITORS MUST BE PREPARED PAY FOR LODGING, SUBSISTENCE AND TRAVEL. U.S. SIDE WILL PROVIDE LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AND INTERPRETERS.

6. U.S. SIDE FEELS IT HIGHLY DESIRABLE CHOOSE SPECIFIC TOPICS

FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO JOINT 3-GROUP MEETING. IN ORDER FACILITATE PLANNING, U.S. SIDE PREPARED EITHER RECEIVE SOV REPS HERE, OR SEND TALBOT AND/OR SKOOG TO MOSCOW FOR 2-3 DAY PLANNING SESSION IN AUG.

7. U.S. SENDING 3 REPS (INCL. SKOOG) TO INTERNATIONAL GAME BIOLOGISTS CONGRESS STOCKHOLM SEPT. 3-7; AS AGREED IN JANUARY, THIS MAY PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS US-USSR PROJECTS.

8. WE WILL LOOK FORWARD TO ANSWERS FROM SOVIET SIDE ON U.S. PROPOSALS FOR COMBINED MEETING AND ON ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS, AS WELL AS ON ADVANCE PLANNING MEETING.

9. ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS: ARRIVAL AT NEW YORK AND TRANSFER TO WASHINGTON ON SUNDAY OCT. 14 (OR ON LATER SUNDAY): FIRST DAY: ARRIVAL. 2ND DAY (MONDAY): WASHINGTON: INTRODUCTORY PRESENTATIONS. 3RD DAY: DISCUSSION OF ORGANIZATIONAL PROCEDURES. 4TH DAY: VISIT PATUXENT WILDLIFE RESEARCH STATION. 5TH-6TH DAYS: DISCUSSION BY SEPARATE PROJECTS. 7TH DAY: BEGIN FIELD TRIPS. (FOR 22-DAY VISIT, FIELD TRIPS TO EASTERN SHORE, WEST, AND SOUTHWEST DESERT WOULD TAKE UP 12 DAYS. FOR 18-DAY VISIT, FIELD TRIPS TO EASTERN SHORE AND TO WEST WOULD TAKE UP 8 DAYS. FOR 15-DAY VISIT, FIELD TRIP TO WEST WOULD TAKE UP 5 DAYS.) THREE DAYS AT END OF TRIP WOULD BE RESERVED FOR DISCUSSION OF PROTOCOLS AND FINAL PLANNING SESSIONS.

10. PROJECT V(1): WILDLIFE CONSERVATION: A. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION: (1) US-USSR MIGRATORY BIRD TREATY; (2) WATERFOWL UNCLASSIFIED

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MANAGEMENT; (3) ENDANGERED PLANTS AND ANIMALS (INCLUDING "RESCUE CENTERS"); (4) MANAGEMENT OF WOLVES, OTHER PREDATORS, AND FURBEARERS; (5) MIGRATORY BIRD STUDIES AND MARKING PROGRAMS; (6) STUDIES OF RAPTorial BIRDS; (7) OTHER. (NOTE: AS AGREED AT JAN. WORKING GROUP MEETING IN MOSCOW, DETAILS OF MARINE MAMMAL PROJECTS WILL BE CONSIDERED BY SUB-GROUP AT SEPARATE MEETING. R.V. MILLER OF NOAA HAS RECEIVED CABLE FROM ZEMSKY PROPOSING MEETING IN NOVEMBER; REPLY IS BEING PREPARED.) B. PROPOSALS FOR RECIPROCAL VISITS IN 1974: (1) WATERFOWL STUDIES ON STEPPES; (2) WHISTLING SWANS; (3) WOLF MANAGEMENT; (4) ENDANGERED ANIMALS; (5) ENDANGERED PLANTS; (6) PEREGRINE FALCONS; (7) GAME MANAGEMENT WORK BY NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS.

11. PROJECT V(2): TUNDRA-TAIGA ECOSYSTEMS AND PERMAFROST. (ALL OF SOVIET PROPOSALS SENT EARLIER ARE ACCEPTABLE TO U.S. SKOOG SENT DENISOV VIA IZRAEL SOME 35 POSSIBLE TOPICS, AND SUGGESTS AGREEMENT ON 5 OR 6 FOR 1974.) A. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION: (1) ORGANIZATIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR LONG-RANGE PROGRAM; (2) RELATIVE EMPHASIS ON APPLIED ECOLOGICAL RESEARCH STUDIES VERSUS STUDIES ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF RESOURCE EXPLOITATION; (3) INTERESTS REGARDING PERMAFROST STUDIES;

(4) VISITS IN 1974. B. PROPOSALS FOR RECIPROCAL VISITS IN 1974: (AGREEMENT ON 5 OR 6 OF FOLLOWING;) (1) PRODUCTIVITY AND ECOLOGY OF TUNDRA AND ALPINE BIOCEANOSES; (2) ECOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF WILDFIRES; (3) LICHENS AND ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION; (4) POLAR BEAR STUDIES AND MANAGEMENT; (5) MUSKOX STUDIES; (6) DISEASE RESERVOIRS IN WILDLIFE POPULATIONS; (7) PLANNING TECHNIQUES FOR MULTIPLE-USE MANAGEMENT OF LAND AND RESOURCES; (8) STABILIZATION AND RECOVERY OF SURFACE DISTURBANCES IN PERMAFROST AREAS; (9) EXPLOITATION AND MANAGEMENT OF WILDLIFE IN TUNDRA AND TAIGA ECOSYSTEMS; (10) RANGE MANAGEMENT AND GRAZING PRACTICES IN GRASS AND LICHEN ECOSYSTEMS.

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